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United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 2623.

(Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.)

U. S. v. Louis Scianamea. Plea of guilty. Sentence suspended.

ADULTERATION AND MISBRANDING OF OLIVE OIL.

On March 5, 1913, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against Louis Scianamea, New York, N. Y., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on June 3, 1912, from the State of New York into the State of Rhode Island, of a quantity of so-called olive oil which was adulterated and misbranded. The product was labeled: "11 B. L. New York. Geremia Bros. Providence, R. I."

Examination of a sample of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this Department showed it to be a mixture of cottonseed oil and olive oil. Adulteration of the product was alleged in the information for the reason that it was sold as and for olive oil and there was substituted for genuine olive oil another article, to wit, cottonseed oil, to the extent of 60 per cent. Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the product was sold and offered for sale under the distinctive name of another article, to wit, olive oil, whereas, in truth and in fact, it was not olive oil, but was a mixture of olive oil and cottonseed oil.

On March 17, 1913, defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information and the court suspended sentence.

B. T. GALLOWAY,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *September 24, 1913.*